

Chase County Commissioners  
September 10, 2024

The regular meeting of the Chase County Commissioners was called to order by Chairman Jacci Brown on Tuesday, September 10, 2024, in the meeting room of the Chase County Courthouse. Also in attendance were Commissioners Billie Muehlenkamp and Kurt Bernhardt, Highway Superintendent Toney Krajewski, Assistant Highway Superintendent Dick DeWester, Treasurer Rebecca Bernard, Road Secretary Jordan Beard and County Clerk Wendy Moe. The open meetings act, and agenda were posted. The meeting had been advertised in the Imperial Republican and on the County Website.

Commissioners began the meeting by discussing the agenda item of Special Assessment on Tax Certificate with Treasurer Rebecca Bernard. She explained the process of the Special Assessment, that the County would pay the delinquent taxes and hold the Tax Certificate, owner will have three years to redeem it.

Highway Superintendent Toney Krajewski was present for open forum to report on the overlay project on Old 6, he said it was a very good application of the product and he is pleased with the results, it will help to extend the life of the road.

Assistant Highway Superintendent Dick DeWester presented a quote from Contractor Services, Inc out of North Platte for striping of the Old Highway, quote is for center striping only, \$675 per mile for a total of \$8,100. Commissioner Bernhardt moved to approve the quote for striping of Old Highway 6 for a total of \$8,100. Motion seconded by Commissioner Brown. Muehlenkamp – yes; Brown – yes; Bernhardt – yes. Motion carried. Dick said the contractor indicated they would do the work during the third week of September.

Jacci asked about getting a larger tractor for the Imperial Shop rather than the two smaller ones that they currently have, further discussion was had. Dick will look into options for tractors.

Gregg O'Brien from NMC CAT joined the meeting for discussion of replacing the grader in the Wauneta shop. Gregg informed the Board that NMC has a State Bid for both a CAT 140 and CAT 150 machine. The machine that will be replaced is a 140. The current machine will be traded in against the new one. As Murphy also has a State Bid for a John Deere machine, Board decided to wait to take any action until Murphy Tractor & Equipment has an opportunity to look at the current machine and prepare a trade-in value for it.

After review of claims, Commissioner Muehlenkamp moved to approve all claims as submitted. Motion seconded by Commissioner Bernhardt. Muehlenkamp – yes; Brown – yes; Bernhardt – yes. Motion carried.

PE=payroll exp, TE=travel exp, SU=supply,  
SE=service, CC=court cost, RP=repairs,  
PT=parts, L=labor, UT=utility, AP=Appt. Counsel,  
PS=Prior Service EQ=Equipment JD=Juv Div

AFFILIATED BENEFITS CONSULTANTS	SE	50
AFLAC	PE	451.79
AMERITAS LIFE INS	PE	47.45
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ANDERSON AUTO GROUP	EQ	88364
APPLIED CONNECTIVE TECH	SE	3292.45
AT & T MOBILITY (FIRSTNET)	UT	750.35
BCBS OF NE	PE	23362.09
BLUFFS FACILITY SOLUTIONS	SU	167.66
BWTELCOM	UT	149.88
CHASE CO TREAS/CAFETERIA	PE	155.24
CHASE CO SHERIFF	CC	343.3
CHASE CO TREASURER	TAX	14579.88
COLONIAL LIFE	PE	260.68
COZAD SIGNS, LLC	SU	110
CROWNE PLAZA	TE	599.8

DAS STATE ACCTG	SE	537.6
EAKES, INC	SU	368.78
EFTPS	PE	14889.08
ELECTRONIC SYSTEMS, INC	SE	709
GREAT PLAINS COMMUNICATIONS INC	UT	1997.97
HEGWOOD INC	SU	267
HIGHLINE ELECTRIC ASSOC	UT	264.07
HOMETOWN LEASING	SU	84.55
IDEAL LINEN SUPPLY, INC	SU	205.08
IMPERIAL, CITY OF	UT	3168.64
JAEGER, JANICE E	SE	65
KUENNING, DEBORAH L.	TE	562.8
MALLORY SAFETY AND SUPPLY, LLC	SU	544.17
MIPS, INC.	SE	1354.58
MUELLER, KEVIN	SU	594.09
NACO (REGS.)	TE	25
NE CHILD SUPP PMT CTR	PE	320
NE DEPT OF PROPERTY ASSESS	SE	75
NE STATE INCOME TAX	PE	1941.05
NOVUS GLASS	SU	100
OFFICE SERVICE INC	SU	130
OWENS TRUE VALUE INC	SU	40.97
PRAIRIE STATES COMMUNICATIONS SERVI	SE	201.87
PROTEX CENTRAL INC	SE	345
RED WILLOW CO TREASURER	SU	1119.54
SCHRA, NATALIE	SE	1620
SPAHN, ASHLEY	AP	600
T O HAAS TIRE COMPANY	SU	226.48
WILCOX RYAN R.	AP	312.5
	Net Payroll	44747.61
	<b>General Fund Total</b>	<b>218972.1</b>
ADAMS LUMBER	SU	90.89
AFLAC	PE	196.35
AJK SERVICES, LLC	SE	871.75
AMERITAS LIFE INS	PE	11.9
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AT & T MOBILITY (FIRSTNET)	SE	46.39
BARGER JOSEPH J	SU	20
BCBS OF NE	PE	300.72
BOMGAARS	SU	422.92
BUSSELL LAND LLC	SU	200
BWTELCOM	UT	101.8
CAMP ANDERSON ENTERPRISES INC	SE	1627.23
COLONIAL LIFE	PE	130.47
EFTPS	PE	3591.06
GOINGS FAMILY LIMITED PARTNERSHIP	SU	742.5
GREAT PLAINS COMMUNICATIONS INC	UT	229.19
HIGHLINE ELECTRIC ASSOC	UT	127.61
IMPERIAL CARQUEST	SU	13.58
IMPERIAL NAPA	SU	122.9
IMPERIAL, CITY OF	UT	284.71
MEDICAL ENTERPRISES, INC.	SU	35
MURPHY TRACTOR & EQUIPMENT CO INC	PT/L	7880.21
NE STATE INCOME TAX	PE	954.34
OFFICE SERVICE INC	SU	40.99
OWENS TRUE VALUE INC	SU	26.98

S & S LOCK AND KEY	SU	24
SAPP BRO PETROLEUM INC	SU	3084.7
SMITH, BONNIE	SU	400
T O HAAS TIRE COMPANY	SU	494.95
VENANGO FARMS, LLC	SU	1640
WAUNETA MUNICIPAL UTILITIES	UT	143.62
21ST CENTURY EQUIPMENT, LLC	PT	1173.6
	Net Payroll	20509.83
	<b>Road Fund Total</b>	<b>46693.76</b>
HALL BROTHERS, INC	SE/SU	295680
	<b>Highway Buyback Fund Total</b>	<b>295680</b>
MIPS, INC.	SE	251.2
	<b>P&amp;M Fund Total</b>	<b>251.2</b>
BWTELCOM	UT	278.9
CENTURYLINK	UT	2039.41
GREAT PLAINS COMMUNICATIONS INC	UT	386.52
	<b>E-911 Fund Total</b>	<b>2704.83</b>
AACE WASH SYSTEMS	SU	5850
AIRGAS USA, LLC	UT	689.86
AT & T MOBILITY (FIRSTNET)	UT	592.31
BWTELCOM	UT	52.02
CHASE CO AMBULANCE	SU	709
GREAT PLAINS COMMUNICATIONS INC	UT	321.39
	<b>Ambulance Fund Total</b>	<b>8214.58</b>
STRYKER SALES CORPORATION	SU	26507.3
	<b>Ambulance Sinking Fund Total</b>	<b>26507.3</b>
	<b>Grand Total All</b>	
	<b>Claims</b>	<b>599023.77</b>

Commissioner Bernhardt moved to surplus a nonworking Ricoh Printer/Copier from the Road Office to be disposed of in the trash. Motion seconded by Commissioner Brown. Muehlenkamp – yes; Brown – yes; Bernhardt – yes. Motion carried.

Commissioner Brown moved to surplus an old nonworking Dell computer tower from the Road Office. Hard drive has already been removed and destroyed. Motion seconded by Commissioner Bernhardt. Muehlenkamp – yes; Brown – yes; Bernhardt – yes. Motion carried.

Commissioner Muehlenkamp moved to surplus an old nonworking booster pack from Imperial EMS, to be disposed of in the trash. Motion seconded by Commissioner Brown. Muehlenkamp – yes; Brown – yes; Bernhardt – yes. Motion carried.

Commissioner Bernhardt moved to surplus two outdated printers from the Extension office to be disposed of in the trash; a 2009 HP LaserJet 1320 (tag #859) and a 2008 Dell Printer/Scanner 926 (Tag #861). Motion seconded by Commissioner Brown. Muehlenkamp – yes; Brown – yes; Bernhardt – yes. Motion carried.

Commissioner Brown moved to surplus an old external hard drive (tag #844), portable screen (tag #854) and a tripod & projection screen (tag#894) from the Extension office to the trash. Motion seconded by Commissioner Bernhardt. Muehlenkamp – yes; Brown – yes; Bernhardt – yes. Motion carried.

Commissioner Muehlenkamp moved to surplus a nonworking Konica Minolta copier (Tag #836) from the Extension office to the trash. Motion seconded by Commissioner Brown. Muehlenkamp – yes; Brown – yes; Bernhardt – yes. Motion carried.

Commissioner Bernhardt moved to transfer an office chair (tag #687) from the Treasurer's office to the Road office. Motion seconded by Commissioner Brown. Muehlenkamp – yes; Brown – yes; Bernhardt – yes. Motion carried.

Commissioner Brown moved to surplus a broken floor jack, barrel pump and DeWalt cordless drill and saw from the Imperial Road shop to the trash. Motion seconded by Commissioner Muehlenkamp. Muehlenkamp – yes; Brown – yes; Bernhardt – yes. Motion carried.

Commissioner Muehlenkamp moved to surplus a broken pneumatic post driver from the Imperial Road shop to the trash. Motion seconded by Commissioner Bernhardt. Muehlenkamp – yes; Brown – yes; Bernhardt – yes. Motion carried.

Commissioner Brown moved to surplus a 2010 Dell computer (Tag #939) from the Treasurer's office to the trash. Motion seconded by Commissioner Muehlenkamp. Muehlenkamp – yes; Brown – yes; Bernhardt – yes. Motion carried.

Agenda item of Sheriff's vehicle distribution was discussed. The Sheriff's office got two new pickups. They intend to keep one of the old ones as a spare. The remaining pickup from the Sheriff's office will be transferred to the Road Department to be used by the Highway Superintendent. Highway Superintendent's current vehicle will be passed on to the Sign guy. Commissioner Brown moved that the old sign pickup and the Explorer used as the current spare for the Sheriff's office be advertised to be sold by sealed bid with bids to be open on September 24 at 9am. Motion seconded by Commissioner Bernhardt. Muehlenkamp – yes; Brown – yes; Bernhardt – yes. Motion carried.

Beth Ferrell from NACO joined the meeting to provide legislative updates and other current happenings. She noted that the ribbon cutting for the new NACO building in Ogallala will be on October 10 and the annual NACO Legislative Conference will be held there on October 11. She briefly recapped the special session; options are still being sought and considered to replace Inheritance Tax revenue and asked the Board if they had any concerns they would like to pose for legislation next session.

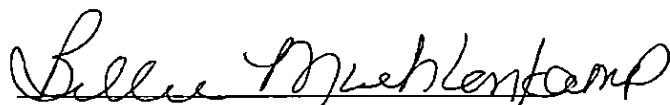
Commissioner Brown moved to approve the minutes from the August 27, 2024, meeting as written. Motion seconded by Commissioner Muehlenkamp. Muehlenkamp – yes; Brown – yes; Bernhardt – abstain. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Office employee Holly Lempke joined the meeting for the agenda item of Clarification of Catastrophic Leave/FMLA Policy. Due to coming events Holly will be utilizing the Catastrophic Leave policy for needed time off. She wants clarification from the Board concerning the County's Catastrophic Leave policy and to know that her position and wage will be protected during her absence. County Clerk and Holly have both spoken to the County Attorney and he indicated that the position and wage should be protected under the Catastrophic Policy as well as under FMLA. Holly will utilize Catastrophic Leave at this time, FMLA will be used if necessary. Board indicated that both the Catastrophic Leave and FMLA are ultimately at the discretion of the Department Head, but her wage and position are protected under both policies.

Road Secretary Joran Beard had items to present to the Board for open forum; she informed them that she has updated the Transit Fare Collection Procedures and sent the updated policy to the State Transit Administration, she also presented the annual Bridge Report from Kent Anderson and notified the Board that Video Kingdom will be here to install the additional cameras around the Imperial shop/EMS building on September 24 or 25.

With no further business to come before the Board, Chairman Jacci Brown adjourned the meeting at 10:00am.

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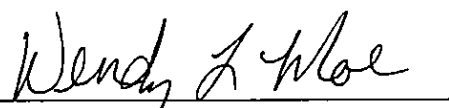
Billie Muehlenkamp – Commissioner District #1



Jacci Brown – Commissioner District #2



Kurt Bernhardt – Commissioner District #3

ATTEST: 

Wendy Moe, Chase County Clerk

